

Visual Arts Activity
2nd Grade
Geography - The World Around Us

Visual Arts

Competency Goal 4: The learner will choose and evaluate a range of subject matter and ideas to communicate intended meaning in artworks.

4.01 - Create, discuss, and/or write about whether the content of their artwork is reality or fantasy.

4.03 - Begin to recognize that an artist's background and experiences are important in shaping an artist's work.

English Language Arts

Competency Goal 4: The learner will apply strategies and skills to create oral, written, and visual texts.

4.07 - Compose first drafts using an appropriate writing process: planning and drafting, rereading for meaning, revising to clarify and refine writing with guided discussion.

4.09 - Use media and technology to enhance the presentation of information to an audience for a specific purpose.

Social Studies

Competency Goal 5: The learner will understand the relationship between people and geography in various communities.

5.03 - Compare and contrast the physical features of communities and regions.

5.05 - Interpret maps, charts, and pictures of locations.

5.06 - Identify and describe the people, vegetation, and animal life specific to certain regions and describe their interdependence.

Activity:

Students will look at the given pictures of the three regions of NC - mountains, piedmont, coastal plain/beach. Looking at the given photographs, students can choose to put themselves into that scenery and write a short story about what they would see, do, smell, etc in that photograph. The other option students have is to write a poem about that region of our state. After they have written their poem, they will type up their poem on the computer, and using KidPix, will take the chosen photograph and add their own pieces of art to the photograph. For example, they may choose to add a drawing of

themselves into the picture doing what they wrote about in the short story. Students will add the picture to their typed poem and print.

